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INTENSIVE DAIRY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the main objectives of Intensive Dairy Development Programme (IDDP);

(b) the basis for providing funds under IDDP;

(c) the number of projects approved under IDDP alongwith costs involved therein during the last three years, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has reviewed the f tformance of dairy projects launched in the country under IDDP;

(e) if so, the details thereof and outcome thereof alongwith the reaction of the Government thereto; and

(f) the funds released to District Milk Cooperative Unions during the said period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a): The main objectives of the scheme are as under:

Development of milch cattle
Increase in milk production by providing technical input services
Creation of infrastructure for procurement, processing and marketing of milk
Ensure remunerative prices to the milk producers
Generate additional employment opportunities
Improve social, nutritional and economic status of people in comparatively disadvantaged areas.

(b): The districts which received no assistance or an assistance of less than Rs.50.00 lakh under `Operation Flood` are eligible for assistance under this scheme, depending on the viability of the project.

(c): A total of 33 projects costing Rs.182.55 Crore were approved under the IDDP in the last three years. State-wise approved projects alongwith their outlays is at Annexure-I.

(d): Performance of the Scheme which was earlier named `Integrated Dairy Development Project` was evaluated by the Programme Evaluation Organizaion cell of the Planning Commission and by the Institute of Human Development, Delhi.

(e): Based on the recommendations of these studies, the scheme has been restructured during March, 2005 and renamed as `Intensive Dairy Development Programme (IDDP)`. In the revised scheme, the following steps have been taken to ensure that the projects are viable and sustainable utilization of funds is quicker:-

(i) projects under the scheme are to be implemented by the State Milk Federation/ District Milk Union in view of their resources and professional approach.

(ii) Funds are to be released directly to the implementing agency i.e. State Dairy Federation/District Milk Union instead of State Government to avoid delay in fund flow.

(iii) The scheme is to be implemented in those districts as well, which received less than Rs.50.00 lakh under Operation Flood programme to cover a larger area. Previously, the scheme was implemented only in Non-Operation Flood districts.

(iv) The maximum project cost will be Rs.3.00 crore per district.

(f): An amount of Rs.1887.51 lakh has been released directly to the District Milk Unions from April 2005 to March 2007.